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## THE IRISH CONVENTION.

THE Irish convention is drawing to a conclusion. Perhaps already the final session has been held. Has it, after months of deliberation, really arrived at a solution to the many woes of the land of Robert Emmet and Sir Roger Casement? One need be no prophet to say confidently that it has not. Unfortunately during the very time it has been meeting to discuss the troubles of Ireland and searching for a solution, the Sinn Fein feeling has been growing apace.

Grave errors in judgment made by British officials, such as the Ashe incident, helped to stimulate the movement for complete separation from Great Britain; old wrongs, and Ireland has a history full of them, were drawn from the closets of the past and the anti-British feeling fanned by constant Sinn Fein meetings, Sinn Fein newspapers and the actual drilling of rebel companies. The Irish convention may, despite its unfortunate membership, evolve a generous plan for "home rule." The trouble is the Sinn Feiners have thoroughly prepared the people for the failure of the convention, and even were an apparently acceptable "home rule" plan offered, the Sinn Fein would be presented with the alternative of accepting it and abandoning their separatist platform, thereby losing strength, or rejecting it and continuing their present dangerous course.

## HUNGARY WABBLES.

THE resignation of the Hungarian cabinet because of the imperial rejection of the proposal to establish an all-Hungarian army confirms those political seers who have pointed a finger at the borders of Hungary and declared that there would come the first response to the Russian revolution. Also, the whole of the dual monarchy is very hungry, so hungry that a day or two ago the Vienna city council resigned in preference to supporting a bill further reducing the food apportionment of the populace. That Hungary's plea for a separate Hungarian regiment was emphatically denied is not surprising. Austria-Hungary is a federation of unmixable races, held together by tyranny. To give one section a separate army would be to court disaster. It is worthy of note that Leon Trotsky, in his book, flatly declares that Austria-Hungary must be smashed as a nation before Europe can know permanent peace. Unless all signs fail she will do the smashing herself.

We hope the Bolsheviks were not surprised to find that the German official news agency was deliberately coloring accounts of the Brest-Litovsk negotiations. The Russian revolutionists, who blame Germany for the bloody failure of the 1905 revolt, expected nothing but what Germany would be forced to concede. Their error, it seems, is in the estimate of domestic German conditions, and the Teutonic "efficiency." Von Kuehlmann tells them that the German government reserves the right to intercept all communications which "might excite the popular masses in Germany." Did the Russians think that the junkers would permit the Russian version to reach the German people? As well ask the kaiser to volunteer to abdicate.

The coal famine in the East is getting worse instead of better. Fuel Administrator Garfield last night ordered all manufacturing plants east of the Mississippi river closed for five days, beginning today, and on Mondays and holidays for the next ten weeks, to conserve as much of the precious fuel as possible. Surely this could have been foreseen; surely the government knows the country's monthly consumption of coal and the monthly production. Why weren't the mines taken over by the government months ago? That method, it seems, is the one sure way of avoiding strikes, and the coal industry in the last half year has had more than its share of industrial strife.

Nevada's new senator, C. R. Henderson, comes right out and says what he means. "I am for woman suffrage," he declared the other day, without trembling a bit. It's tough to have to speak out like that regardless of consequences, particularly when the house has just ratified the Susan B. Anthony amendment and there are so very many women voters at home who vote for a senator this year.

Business men, farmers, professional men and people working for a salary should not overlook making returns for the income tax. The single person whose gross incomes is \$1,000 for the year 1917 or married individual who realizes \$2,000 or over must fill out a report to the internal revenue officials. You may not come within the requirement of paying income tax, for your report may show sufficient exemptions to relieve you of the burden, but if you do not report a fine will follow.

## CLIPPED AND CREDITED.

Tennessee has one senator who has been earning his salary for the past few weeks. You may decide which one it is.—Chattanooga News.

The kaiser talks of settlement by the sword, and his anger burns because the allies won't give him time to sharpen it.—Atlanta Constitution.

Every American man who can and will do something to increase the year's supply of hog and hominy will be playing the role of a patriot in doing it.—Knoxville Journal and Tribune.

Fuel experts announce that two pounds of seasoned wood have a fuel value equal to one pound of coal. Hooray! How it does warm a fellow up to learn the values of things he hasn't.—Knoxville Sentinel.

# TERRIBLE SCENES OF POVERTY IN LITTLE RUMANIAN VILLAGES

(Correspondence Associated Press.)

JASSY, Rumania, Nov. 7.—Extreme poverty and suffering exists among refugees and peasants in the little mountain villages that are so numerous just back of the Rumanian-German battle line. In a large number of cases the refugees are without shoes and without shelter of any kind, many being compelled to live in the fields and to endure the exposure of the prevailing cold autumn nights. Often their clothing consists only of a few things and ragged cotton garments that give scarcely any warmth to their wasted bodies. Their situation is rendered the more precarious by the fact that the districts in which they are living are subject to frequent artillery fire and to bombing by airplanes.

Those who are fortunate enough to have even the poor comfort of shelter in the shattered adobe houses that remain standing are in almost every instance living under conditions of the most wretched misery. Forced suddenly by the exigencies of the military situation to abandon their former homes, they have found even severer hardships awaiting them in the desolated districts to which they have fled; for in these small villages there is neither anything to sustain life nor that medical care which often would save life. All doctors are needed on the front, and these unfortunate people, who might otherwise be useful factors to society if properly cared for, are left either to struggle alone with the ravages of famine and disease or to die of starvation.

In some villages the refugees and peasants receive bread twice a week; in others none at all. It is true that a scant supply of corn meal is obtainable by application to government agencies, but this slender staple for every meal is not calculated to give strength and sustenance to people already reduced to the last extremity of destitution by the loss of their material belongings and the financial support usually given them by husbands or sons or brothers now serving their country. In two instances refugees were observed picking in the fields a kind of wild grass, which they eat, but which in America we would think only of feeding to cattle.

The most pathetic of suffering and want was witnessed in the little village of Seltia, in the district of Putna. In a squalid shack of wood and mud were three little children on the point of exhaustion for lack of proper care and food. They were orphans. The mother had lately died of typhus, which has blighted nearly the whole of Rumania; the father was serving at the front, and a little girl of 10 was acting as mother to two tiny tots of 4 and 7. The youngest child was lying helpless on a bag on a stone floor, a tragic spectacle of famine and disease.

A second case, which was only typical of numberless others, was observed in a dilapidated house no larger than the ordinary American bedroom. There was no glass in the windows. The roof was full of holes. Elsewhere in the house the open spaces were stuffed with rags. Here there were ten persons crowded together, under conditions of squalor and misery. Bags and tattered patch-quilts formed the only coverings on the makeshift beds.

One of the inmates was an elderly woman who had recently lost her husband, but whose pride it was to have three sons serving in the army.

## ASSESSMENT NOTICE.

TONOPAH GIBBY QUEEN MINING COMPANY.

Location of principal place of business and location of work: Tonopah, Nye county, Nevada.  
 Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the Board of Directors, held on the 21st day of December, 1917, an assessment (No. 15) of one cent per share was levied upon the capital stock of the corporation, payable immediately, in United States gold coin, to the secretary, at the office of the Registration Service Company, room 265 Russ Building, San Francisco, California.

Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on the 31st day of January, 1918, will be delinquent and advertised for sale at public auction, and unless payment is made before, will be sold on Monday, the 15th day of March, 1918, to pay the delinquent assessment, together with the cost of advertising and expenses of sale.

By order of Board of Directors,  
 CHARLES D. OLNEY, Secretary,  
 Office Room 265 Russ Building, San Francisco, California. 22-331

## ASSESSMENT NOTICE.

MANHATTAN UNION AMALGAMATED MINES SYNDICATE.

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 Location of work: Manhattan, Nye County, Nevada.  
 Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the Board of Directors, held on the 21st day of December, 1917, an assessment (No. 1) of two cents per share was levied upon the capital stock of the corporation, payable immediately, in United States gold coin, to the secretary, at the office of the Registration Service Company, room 265 Russ Building, San Francisco, California.

Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on the 31st day of January, 1918, will be delinquent and advertised for sale at public auction, and unless payment is made before, will be sold on Saturday, the 2nd day of March, 1918, to pay the delinquent assessment, together with the cost of advertising and expenses of sale.

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For this solemn contribution to the cause of her country, however, she had not even the small reward from her government of a decent existence. She had no food beyond a few handfuls of cornmeal. She was a spectre of famine. Her face was drawn and pinched and her countenance so inexpressibly sad that it told its own silent tale of the terrible hardships she and her nine companions in the house were enduring.

One of her children, a helpless mite of 3, lay under the clay stove, in which there was a feeble fire, slowly succumbing to pellagra. The other nine occupants, most of them children, were pathetic figures of poverty and misery.

There probably are thousands of cases equally as extreme or even worse. The observer could easily see, with this tragic picture before him, why typhus had taken such a terrible toll of life last winter. The houses visited were in most cases dirty and unsanitary and offered the most fertile breeding places for vermin. The occupants were so terribly impoverished that their feeble bodies could scarcely be expected to withstand the invasion of even the mildest of diseases.

In these villages, which often are only a short distance from the area

## CURTAILMENT OF PASSENGER SERVICE UNDER NEW LAW

Some idea of the extent to which economies in the operation of railroad trains under the new dispensation may be obtained from the fact that the first week for government control more than 250 passenger trains have been discontinued by railroads entering New York City. Further reductions will be made until the passenger service, measured by miles, has been curtailed 20 per cent. The Pennsylvania dropped 155 trains, 104 on weekdays and 51 on Sundays. Among the important trains eliminated were the two Boston-Pittsburgh-St. Louis express trains between New York and Cleveland, and the Pittsburgh-Cleveland express. The five-hour Congressional Limited will be put on a six-hour schedule and will make more stops. A number of the Pennsylvania's fast trains will be slowed down.

Eighty-two trains were taken off the New Haven system, most of them in the New England local service, but including the Bay State Limited, between New York and Boston, and the State of Maine Express, between New York and Portland. The Federal Express, between Boston and Washington, by way of the Hell Gate bridge, has an hour added to its time. The Lehigh Valley made radical changes, leaving only two trains a day between New York and Buffalo, and saving 75,000 train miles a month.

The New York Central's new schedule went into effect January 13. The Central is in a different position from most of the eastern roads, in that it is not so important in the movement of coal and ore.

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where military activity is greatest, and which are subjected almost daily to shell fire by the Germans, one would think that the inhabitants, following the instinct of self-preservation, would go to places at least free from the terrors of actual warfare; but with a hope borne of confidence in the bravery of the Rumanian army and its ability to drive back the Germans, these simple, guileless peasants continue to linger in the danger zone, believing that soon the German army will be forced to withdraw and that the population will be able to return to their deserted homes.

On the other hand, there are some who realize the great jeopardy in which they are placing themselves by staying within the range of enemy guns, and they have wisely abandoned their homes for places at least removed from the imminence of airplane bombardment and shell fire. In these cases it is a sight deeply impressive to the American observer to see the poor but sagacious peasant burying in the cold earth his spare clothes or the household articles which he treasures most, in order that they may not fall into the hands of the invading Germans and that he may recover them when the enemy is driven out.

## HURLEY APPROVES PROBE

(By Associated Press.)  
 WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—Chairman Hurley of the shipping board told the house rates committee yesterday that the senate investigation of shipping has been so helpful that the board would welcome a similar inquiry by the house. The committee had under consideration a resolution by Representative Edmunds, calling for such an investigation, but action was deferred.

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## SOLDIER'S RIGHTS BILL.

(By Associated Press.)  
 WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—Hearings on the administration measure known as the soldier's and sailor's civil rights bill, which passed the house unanimously last fall, but failed to get through the senate, will be resumed Friday by a senate judiciary sub-committee, which will hear representatives of insurance and real estate interests.

The bill is designed virtually as a moratorium for men in military service. It has been strongly urged by Secretary Baker and Provost Marshal General Crowder, but in the senate opposition based on alleged unconstitutionality developed.

## RULES FOR WAR MANUALS.

(By Associated Press.)  
 WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—Strict orders have been issued by the war department against the publication by army officers or enlisted men of books on military subjects "except as an approved government publication or as authorized by the war department."

The constantly increasing number of soldier authors publishing more or less incorrect "manuals" of advice to the service is believed to have led to the action. All bureaus, schools and departments are notified that permission must first be secured from the war college before any pamphlet is published.

## NATIONAL PARTY PLANS.

(By Associated Press.)  
 NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—Permanent organization of the National party will be effected at a national convention to be held in Chicago on Wednesday, March 6. It was announced here last night, at which delegates from every state are expected to be present. The official call for the meeting states that the decision of the Prohibition party on proposed amalgamation would be announced at the convention.

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# ALL TRAINS ARE BACK TO SCHEDULE

TRANSPORTATION LINES OF EAST AND MIDDLE WEST RECOVERED FROM STORM.

(By Associated Press.)  
 CHICAGO, Jan. 17.—Transportation on the trunk lines east and west of Chicago virtually has recovered from the effects of the recent blizzard. All roads are now running their regular number of trains, railroad officials announce.

All through trains east are running practically on schedule, it was said.

The Rock Island and Burlington trains west are running virtually on schedule, with indications that there will be no more immediate trouble, the traffic departments announced. Rock Island officials reported that traffic conditions in the Far West had returned to normal condition.

The Chicago, Burlington & St. Paul and the Chicago & Northwest also announced they now are running their regular number of trains and that there were few delays.

Hot Tom and Jerry at the Bank Buffet.

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